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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 70

6 June 1950

1. The following were present:

State Dr. Appleton State Mr. Fletcher State Mr. Lydman State # Mr. Clinton Army Lt. Col. Kiel Navy Lt. Cdr. Nutt Air Force Lt. Col. Wads CIA CIA 25X1A9a CIA

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- 2. The Army member expressed Army's view_relative to the transfer of the content of Subsection 64H (Manufacture of Other Wilitary Equipment and Supplies, Including War Gases and Smoke Preparations) from Chapter VI (Economic) to Section 75 (Chemical Warfare - Scientific Chapter). In substance this view is that to include in Chapter VII (Scientific) intelligence on the manufacture of chemical warfare materiel would violate the fundamental concept of the scope of the chapter; viz., that it covers research on, and development of, material only up to the point where the material is placed in manufacture. The chairman pointed out that treatment of the manufacture of chemical warfare in Chapter VI might well fail to take potentialities into consideration; i.e., it might cover only such manufacture as is taking place in peacetime plants, whereas, in wartime, many plants are easily convertible to the manufacture of this materiel. Therefore, if the content of 64H is to remain in Chapter VI, close coordination at the working level should be effected between producers of Subsection 64H and producers of Section 75. Further, consideration should be given to amplifying appropriately the Standard Instructions for Subsection 64H. Army is to consider the matter further but since it is of prime interest to Army, Army's views will prevail.
 - 3. Army's comments on the <u>Standard Instructions</u> for Subsection 62C (Petroleum) and Supplement V (Petroleum) were read to, and approved by, the committee. State, Navy, and Air Force had no comments on this subject.

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- 4. The Army member distributed copies of revised Standard Instructions for Sections 32 (Highway Transport) and 33 (Inland Waterway Transport). Members are to examine these instructions in their agencies and, if their agencies concur, are to telephone concurrence to D/NIS. Agency comments, including those of CIA, on all of Chapter III (Transportation and Telecommunications) and Supplements I (Ports and Naval Facilities) and III (Telecommunications) will be taken up at the next meeting.
- 5. The Navy member reported that it is expected that preparation of the Standard Instructions for the special NIS on Marine Climate and Oceanography and the FY 1951 production schedule for these NIS will be completed in a few days. Navy is to distribute copies of the Standard Instructions, when completed, to the members. The instructions will then be discussed at the next meeting.
- 6. Revised Standard Instructions for Chapter I (Brief) were discussed. It was generally agreed that great flexibility should be permitted in preparing Section 10 (Introduction), which should give a succinct over-all basic intelligence appreciation of the area as a whole; and that each other section should be a succinct digest of the main NIS chapter to which it pertains. It was proposed that the NIS should include an index of important subjects and that this index might be an additional section of Chapter I. Members were requested to study the form which this index, if adopted, should take, and how it should appear (i.e., spread out through the sections of Chapter I, as a separate section of Chapter I, or in some other manner) and be prepared to discuss these matters at the next meeting. Members were also requested to re-study the CIA-proposed revision of Standard Instructions for Chapter I, so as to be prepared to discuss it at the next meeting.
- 7. The next meeting was scheduled for 1000 hours, Tuesday, 13 June 1950, at CIA.

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